the People Who Buy.

# RAILWAY MENACE STIRS WASHINGTON TO DRASTIC ACTION

70TH YEAR.

Three Agencies Grapple With Problems of Congestion.

NATION IS ENDANGERED RY CAR SHORTAGE CRISIS

**Fransportation Situation Sucks** Lifeblood of American Industry Is Cry.

ARTERIES OF TRADE SEVERED

ext Forty-Eight Hours May Bring Forth Desperate Remedies.

WASHINGTON, May 17. - Three rious impairment of the financial

d industrial structure of the na a meeting to discuss what with the financial situation.

ssion rushed to completion plans or drastic centralization of railroad

ons and Interstate Commerce met th railroad executives to get first.

tion to keep the nation's transper

of affecting relief is to in-

imission has completed

offs of labor; the coal output dangerlants at the enormous problem conronting the country today as a result of the car shortage, according to situation to spread alarmist reports ogical Survey showed that the parl paralysis of the transportation system has resulted in a coal producon for industrial purposes reaching low ebb. In some instances the of ect of the transportation disability mounted to reduction in output of the mines as much as 60 per cent during the past week. If this situation s not immediately remedied, officials ear a coal famine will be added to he list of industrial problems hinging

on the car shortage. erves further to aggravate the situation. Although this strike osten-sibly is at an end, reports received here within the last few days indi-cate that many of the men have not ation. Although this strike ostencturned to work. This serves greatto hamper the movement of freight brough rail gateways and junction points from Kansas City and St. Louis to Buffalo and New York.

May Liberalize Rallway Law. dealing with loans to the roads for constructing new equipment. It is over the protest of property owners. inderstood that the Senate Appropritions Committee, after conferring with the railroad executives today may move to draft legislation, which in view of the emergency is assured speedy passage to permit the roads start a program of building equip ment that would prevent a recurrence of the present conditions. At the conference between mem-

ers of the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce and Appropriaons and railroad executives, headed by A. P. Thom, chairman of the execucommittee, it was decided to ish through an amendment mak-

(Continued on Second Page.)

The right way to Baltimore and he East, York River Line, Exc. Sun-lays. Modern steamers,—Adv.

#### Plan Use of Heavy Trucks to Combat Food Famine

(By Universal Service.) NEW YORK, May 17.—An independent trucking system, operated sacciations, may prevent a foofamine in this city, as well as an niarming rise in prices, feared because of the nation-wide freight

headquarters of the Merchants' Astee on traffic appointed for the purpose was unsuccessful in in-ducing Secretary of War Baker to send a large number of army trucks here for the purpose of transporting food and supplies, means for securing trucks from other sources would be devised, and the largest single freight transportation system ever to be organized established in New York

## SHIP-BY-TRUCK TOUR IS OFF TO A GOOD START

Leg of Four-Day Journey. Petersburg First Stop.

MAYOR OF CITY GREETS PARTY

Citizens Line Sidewalks Three and Searchlight Center of Attraction.

Decided impetus was given the good. roads movement in Virginia yesterday Hal D. Flood, of the Tenth District, by developments of the first few hours truck boosters, who, starting Richmond on the day when the merbeseeching the national government to relieve them from the till caused by rathroad congestion, gave an object lesson of the one way

Ainslie, the cavalende promptly on the

The reception accorded the tourists trucks and their human freight were Martin, of the Petersburg Chamber of

were escorted through the principal Washington, where Mr. the Cockade City at 1:30 o'clock for Comptroller of the Currency. Emporia, which was reached at 6:30 Temporary Chairman of Convention. o'clock last night.

This important move has prac- ment was held on the courthouse zation will be outlined. cally been agreed to already by the green. Music for the dancing was furnished by the ship-by-truck tour band.

of the searchlight were played over PACKERS ARE INDICTED

The party will leave Emporia this morning at 9 o'clock for Lawrenceville, from which point it will con-(Continued on Second Page.)

#### COMMISSIONERS QUIT JOBS WHEN ARMED MEN INVADE COURT

Arkansas Frozerty Owners Object to Creation of Special Road Dis rict.

JONESBORO, ARK., May 17.-Armed men arose from their seats The recent "outlaw" switchmen's and demanded immediate resigna- and yardmen's strike on some of the principal railroads, it is understood, principal railroads, it is understood, and the man arose from their seats. Superseding indictments were fled against Swift & Company, "Tonight is baby's night," he said. Armour & Company, and the Wil- "Tomorrow night I shall see Fanny neys of the Black Oak-Hancock Boad seprovement district, when Chanpayers against the district.

The resignations, already written, were presented to the two commissioners present and to their two attorneys, with the demand that they be signed immediately. They signed the resignations and withdrew Congress, it is believed, may act courtroom. Judge Wheatley adjourned provisions court and left the city. It is said the the Cummins-Esch railroad law road district was established at a special session of the Legislature

#### REFINERIES BOOST SUGAR PRICE 1 CENT A POUND

Advance Follows Upon Announce ment That Dealers Would Be Limited to Profits.

NEW YORK, May 17 .- The American Sugar Refining Company today advanced the price of sugar 1 cent Epirus, including Corytza, the twelve a pond to a 201/2c basis for bulk islands of the Aegean Sea and the granulated. The boost was the western coast of Asia Minor, should first development following an- be awarded to Greece, was adopted nouncement

# **BUCHANAN-QUITS GOVERNOR'S RACE**

Lieutenant-Governor From Washington He Cannot Afford Campaign Sacrifices.

FOR GLASS FOR PRESIDENT

Stiff Fight Expected on Floor of State Convention Over Prohibition Question.

Withdrawal by Lleutenant-Gover race for the Democratic nomination ng political development in Virginia politics on the eve of the State conention, which will begin tomorrow morning at Roanoke.

The Lieutenant-Governor's an nouncement, made in a letter to a friend in Richmond, was made public yesterday, and constituted one of the choicest bits of gossip among delegates as they gathered over the State start on the trip westward to the Magie City.

The retirement of Mr. Buchanan as to who will be the man brought Harry St. George Tucker, whose can Four Deep—Emporia Surrenders didacy for the governorship on a Keys of City to Visitors—Glant "back to the Constitution" platform is arousing the enthusiasm of Democrats in every section of Virginia.

whose name has been mentioned before in this connection, may also that State Senator G. Walter hibition law that bears his name, has been considering the matter of be tion, even before Mr. Buchanan's an-

and to them, Mr. Buchanan says:

which make it necessary, but to comthat under the circumstances I can ill sfford. It would require me to forego engagements and obligations which, I have assumed, involving a sacrifice which I feel I should not make even officials that the only Commerce, and R. C. Parsons, of the norship, should it be conferred on

o'clock, when the temporary organi- ARNSTEIN RELEASED

It will be the duty of the temporary chairman to sound the keynote of the convention-to enun Of particular interest to Emporians ciate those principles upon which (Continued on Second Page.)

## ON PROFITEERING CHARGE

Cudahy, Morris, Wilson, Swift and Armour Corporations Made Defendants.

IBy Associated Press. | NEW YORK, May 17.—The Federal grand jury in Brooklyn today returned indictments against Mor- in the \$5,000,600 bond plot. ris & Company, and the Cudahy Packing Company, of Chicago, in the very midst of things doing the Central American republic, the hest he could for himself when the Central American republic. were returned stolen negotiable securities were Indictments also were returned against James W. Nash and George Ehlers, branch manager for Mor- as oil stocks, went at once to his ris & Company, and against Oliver up-town apartment, where he saw his H. Saunders, branch manager for 9 months' old baby for the first time

the Cudahy concern. son Company, as well as certain of on the stage. She always hands me their representatives. There were a laugh." Fannie Brice. Arnstein's three counts in the indictment re- wife, is the star comedicane of Ziegturned against Morris & Company, feld's "Follies." and four in that handed down in the case of the Cudahy Company. The Morris Company was alleged to have sold "city pork" to a dealer accommodating. It was not until toat 39 cents a pound, aithough a night that his friends secured the few days before the price had been \$25,000 required in a bankruptcy

ahy Company was based on sales in which the company is alleged to have charged 25 cents a pound for fresh steer that had previously sold for 20 cents. .

## GIVE ISLANDS TO GREECE

Lodge Resolution, Making Award of Lands in Acgean Sea, Adopted in Senate.

I By Associated Press. 1 WASHINGTON, May 17.—Senator Lodge's resolution declaring it the Senate's opinion that Northern by Attorney-General today by the Senate without discus-

### "Quit Talking Panic and Go to Work," Leading Financier Tells Americans

Richmond Times-Dispatch

NEW YORK, May 17.—"If the merican copie will stop talking panic and go to work they some of them Imagine they see

L. K. Liggett, head of the Unit d Drug Corporation, who returned from Europe today on the Buttle, said that Europe rapidly recovering and was in-dustrious, and that America was doing too much worrying.

"Enrope has gone further or the way to recovery than most Americans realize," he said. Beloming forward rapidly. It is levying heavy taxes, but most o the money will go for rehabilita-tion of the devastated areas, and nately. England is treating her business men liberally in the system there is getting along third of what we have in Amer-

"We are worrying too much

customers who would accept them. They are good and will ultimately pay. Our policy of caution is costing us dearly in

George J. Whelan, prominen American tobacco merchant, was practically of the same opinion ns to conditions in Europe.

covering rapidly financially and industrially, and there is no justification for punic talk in the United States," he said. ."I travextensively through England, France and Italy and found the people cheerful and every-where hard at work. The agricultural classes are especially

"France expects to year. In England there is a shortage of sugar, but in all other places that I visited food is plentiful. Prices are not high except in the large cities, and in those places there is a great

Would Be Terror to Country.

changes will appear tomorrow before

Wednesday to approve the bill.

cent under the bill. Such additiona

small transactions comprising a large part of a broker's business, represen

\$1,800, which is the equivalent of

transactions would be taxed along with bonds, even Liberty bonds

which are held by 20,000,000 citizene . Mr. Rainey predicted that "the country will be in a state of terror

#### RAIL EXECUTIVES READY STRONG PROTEST AGAINST TO ASSIST LABOR BOARD

Employers Present Statement of Congressman Says Exorbitant As-Their Side of Wage Controsessments Would Force Stock versy at Chicago. Exchanges to Close.

WILL NOT HINDER ACTION WOULD DESTROY COMPETITION Liberty Bonds, Held by 20,-

Committee Assures Body That Road Heads Will Give Hearty Co-Operation, but Want Consideration.

CHICAGO, May 17.—The opening statement of the employer's side of hearings in Chicago, following a re- soldier relief bill. Democratic memton, at which representatives of rail-

ment in which he said that wage advances should be granted to many close because of the "excessive taxes the board adjourned until

said, "as the opponents of the representatives of the railroad employees irgue that all of the requests should be denied; we are not here to obin good faith to assist your board to rast and complex problems that have

demands of the rail employees, in-cluding new demands of approxi-(S'onthued on Second Page.)

FROM JAIL ON BONDS

Ecep to Satisfy Temands

of the Authorities.

(By Universal Service.) NEW YORK, May 17.—Nicky Arn-

stein after he had disappeared.

SOCIALISTS DELAY CALL

Will Petition Secretary Baker To-

day for Amnesty for Political

Prisoners.

morrow.

TOTALING \$100,000

#### when there is a realization extent of the proposed taxes. PERUVIAN POET WHO CHAMPIONED CABRERA

Mas'er Bond Plotter Has to Dig Jose San'os Chocano De'ended Cause of Deposed President.

IS FACING EXECUTION

PARIS, May 17.—The Peruvian stein was released from jail at 6:40 poet Jose Santos Chocano is in dano'clock tonight. Bail surety in \$25 .ger of being executed in Guatemala 000 was deposited with the Federal authorities, making a total of \$100,by the triumphant revolutionists of 800 held as a guarantee that he will that country because of his close reappear when he is wanted to explain lations with the deposed President, the part he is alleged to have taken Estrada Cabrera, of whom he was an energetic defender, according to re-Nicky, who is said to have been ports that have reached here from

In view of these reports, the newspapers Evenement and Figure have inaugurated a movement to save the life of the poet, whose death, they point out in their articles, would prove a serious loss to the world of since he quit New York on Febletters.

Chocano is a prisoner in Guatemala, in the hands of the victorious rebels. As a journalist in Guatemala, in close relation with the Cabrera regime, he vigorously defended the Cabrera government and attacked its opponents.

Chocano is ranked among the ablest of contemporary poets writ-ing in the Spanish language.

ASCENDS 17.150 FEET proceeding that was forced upon Arn-WITH PASSENGER PLANE

World's Record for Altitude Reached by Former Army Sergeant Using an Orenco Machine. IBy Associated Press. 1

MINEOLA N. Y. May 17.—The world's airplane altitude record for a pilot and three passengers was brok IBy Associated Press. ] WASHINGTON, May 17.—The who rose to the height of 17,150 feet, committee of Socialists, headed by Seymour Stedman, the party's cantitude reached by Captain Lowell II. didate for Vice-President, which Smith, commanding officer of Puryear was to have called on Secretary Field in El Centro, Cal., last Monday. Coombs, formerly a sergeant in the political prisoners, postponed pres- American Army air service, carried next ninety days and urged repeal entation of the petition until to- two newspaper men and an official of the daylight-saving law. political prisoners, postponed presof an hirplane company. He used an Orenco plane with a 150 horsepower at \$2 a pound, eggs at \$3 a dozen.

Today is registration day and all the altitude record for a single mo
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\*\*T Palmer that the Department of Justice would allow wholesalers not more than 1 or retailers more than 2 cents profit on a pound of sugar.

Special Notice—C. & O. sesside outings, Old Point and Norfolk, begin Sunday, May 23rd, \$2.00 round trip; 3 trains.—Adv.

Today is registration day and all the altitude record for a single motored plane has been broken within two weeks. Combs set a mark of this summer. He asserts that the law sugar the city election here thirty days this was exceeded three days later of the farmer to give an hour for by Captain Smith, pleasure to the dwellers in the cities.

# **GONZALEZ MOVES** TO INSURE UNITY

Washington Regards His Withdrawal an Assurance of Peace in Mexico.

OFFER CARRANZA SAFETY

Revolutionary Forces Occupy Monterey, Zacatecas and Victoria.

IBy Associated Press. | WASHINGTON, May 17.—Pablo Gonzalez's withdrawal from the con-test for the presidency of Mexico, reported to the State Department today was regarded here as the best indica-tion that leaders of the de facto gov ernment desired to eliminate the da ger arising from political rivalry. Gonzalez's statement in withdrawing was to the effect that his action was prompted by the wish to assure the people of Mexico that he did not take up arms against Carranza for the purose of aiding his own candidacy for he presidency. He added that he her evidence of co-ordinate action have paid tribute for several years had been appointed chief of military operations in the State of Tamaulipas Restoration of wire communication with the Mexican capital brought from the American embassy long re-

near Jalapa, with revolutionary troops on his trail. 000,000 Citizens, Would Be As-The official advices were summarsessed Under Proposed Bill. ized by the State Department as

ports on the developments. There

terday General Gonzalez announced bers of the committee expected to New York exchange and the Chicago Congress untrammeled in its elecon the stock and bond transactions.

taxes would eliminate a multitude of The tax on every ship load of grain exported from this country, Mr. Rainey said, would be approximately petition would be virtually destroyed

lare their allegiance to the new

"The appointment of Peneral Palace having been turned over without re-

#### (Continued on Second Page.) ENGLAND'S INCOME TAX

Mortimer Singer and Other Ex-Domiciles to France.

LONDON, May 17 .-- Mortimer Sin- ing their property to foreigners. ger, the American capitalist, is aban- French, Japanese and Dutch policy doning residence in England as a was somewhat the same as that of result of the decision of the Lords Great Britsin, the report indicated, of appeal today confirming the judg- but its effect was of minor importment of the lower court, which dered him to pay tax on the average of his income for three years proonly the actual income during the

assessment year. Singer is thus forced to pay on an income of \$383,435 instead of \$205,-400, all derived from dividends of the Singer Manufacturing Company of New Jersey.

The decision is a hard blow to all Americans residing in London and who draw incomes from America, because the assessment schedule aims particularly at exceptionally high

Other Americans are expected to follow Singer's example and transfor their domicile to France, where gration inspectors here tonight after the direct taxation is comparatively examining immigrant aliens from insignificant.

#### PREDICTS SOARING PRICES OR JUMP IN PRODUCTION ship Vauban last Friday.

Says Foods Will Sell at Enormor Sums Next Year Unless Farmers Get Busy. (By Universal Service.)

ALBANY, N. Y., May 17.-Herbert Myrick, editor of Farm and Home. declared today that in the event of unfavorable weather and poor crops there will be a food famine in the United States. He declared that the result will be determined during the

#### Pou Charges Republicans Conspired Against Wilson

WASHINGTON, May 17,-Republican leaders in Congress were accused today in the House by Representative Pou, Democrat, of North Carolina, of having joined a conspiracy to discredit President Mr. Pou cited the resolution

which would make it unlawful for try, another declaring the office the country, and a third seeking clation given the President while abroad," as proof of his asser-

The conspiracy, Mr. Pou alleged was based on a fear that President Wilson would repeat "his unpardonable sin" of leading his party to victory at the polls.

### BRITISH OIL MONOPOLY EXPOSED BY PRESIDENT

England's Petroleum Policy Pro poses Restrictions on Disposal of Stocks of Home Concerns.

U. S. SENATE MAY TAKE ACTION

Gore Asks What Diplomatic Efforts ica's Participation in Developments Outside of United States.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Exclusion no word, however, as to the fate of of aliens from control of oil re-Carranza, who has fled to the hills sources within the empire, govern- stamp." ment aid in developing new supplies

> Department was in answer to a Senties attached to American participation in petroleum resources of the

aid to pioneer companies. Gore Wants Show-Down.

Great Britain, the report added, also

The Senate resolution introduced irrevocably withdraws his candidacy by Senator Gore, Democrat, Oklahoma to the provisional Pres- what diplomatic efforts had been ary conditions have forced him to us- participation in oil developments by Americans elsewhere than announced that trains captured from been made to Great Britis concern- admiral secretary and member of Carranza were being brought to Mex- ing restrictions upon oil development the Cabinet, and civilians ineligible lee City and that civilians who re- in the occupied sections of Turkey, for the post and put some Sims in mained with the trains are being the report said, and had been met control of the navy with a nominal civilian secretary as his cierk, messtated that those who accompanied to against Americans would be also senger and rubber stamp." Carranza in his departure from the lowed. With regard to Mexico, the Mexican capital are being pursued by department reported the last note of warning, which said that the United flage their Prussian ideas," the sec-states "would not acquiesce" in any

American oil holdings.
Observing that all regulations in participants, at Mexico City, May as a demonstration of allegiance the provisional President to be decided by the Mexican Congress on at date The press stated that mematic at date The press stated that mematic soft the Mexican diplomatic corps.

American oil holdings.
Observing that all regulations in posteriors, what they desire is a secretary. What they desire is a civilian rubber-stamp secretary, with no power except to draw his salary and sign here when the post said, "this form would seem to be justified in the viewpoint of international law, however impolitie it might be as regards reciprocity and civilians."

Civilians Had Hard Struggle. international comity."

British Policy Appears Monopoly. Citing a large number of general as chief of military operations in and special consular reports, the re-Tamaulipas has been announced, port said that the British policy apannounced, port said that the British policy ap-Monterey, in the State of Nuevo Leon, peared to be developing by a process of deterring foreigners from owning or operating oil property in the British Isles, colonies or pro-tectorates by direct participation of HARD BLOW TO AMERICANS

the government in advancing the government in advancing the larger exploiting companies, of which the Anglo-Persian, having a monopoly of the 'industry in Persia, but most patriates will More Their Domiciles to France.

Identification of the government in advancing the day.

Mr. Daniels reviewed his relations with Rear-Admirals Fiske and Fullam, retired, formerly his aids. Admiral Fiske, he asserted, "in ders in council preventing British cut ders in council preventing British oll companies or individuals from sell-

> THE CITY OF RICHES, IS STILL IN EXISTENCE

South American Immigrants Have Bank Rolls of Huncreds of Thousands.

NEW YORK, May 17.—Belief that "El Dorado"-the mythical South American city of fabulous wealthstill exists was expressed by immi-South America with bank rolls running into the hundreds of thousands. Most of them arrived on the steam-

One couple, when asked to register and deposit their money for safe Shipping Board, to encourage and keeping, pending an investigation as stimulate development by Americans to their admissibility, laid down a of oil lands outside the United States, bank roll of \$114,000 and fourteen would be authorized under a resolupieces of expensive jewelry. A Span- tion introduced today by Senator ish woman on the same ship said she Phelan, Democrat, California. had nothing smaller than a check for The corporation would be con-\$11,000 on a bank in Los Angeles, which she wanted cashed to defray expenses to California, where she has

noon, however, when one family laid or any part of the product for its down so much money and securities own use. that the immigration officials did not have time to count it. It was said unofficially that the total will reach

# SIMS' DESIRE WAS A "PRUSSIAN" NAVY, **DECLARES DANIELS**

Says Motive of Admiral's Criticism Was to Overcome Civilian Control.

WANTED "RUBBER-STAMP SECRETARY," IS CHARGE Many Officers Planned Elimi-

He Asserts. HAD MILITARY DICTATOR IDEA

nation of Cabinet Head,

Wished to Create General Staff on Lines of Von Tirpitz Regime.

IBy Associated Press I WASHINGTON, May 17.—Desire "to Prussianize the Navy Depart-ment" was ascribed by Secretary miral Sims' underlying motives in Have Been Made to Secure Amer- of the war. The secretary, testifying before the Senate investigating committee, also charged that of the testimony sufporting Admiral Sims' position was from officers who wished to remove civilian control of the Navy Department make the secretary a "rubber

in other countries and restrictions hostility to certain officers and a against disposal of oil stocks now desire to damage the ranking ofstanding features of Great Britain's during the war," said Mr. Daniels speaking of Admiral Sims' dence has disclosed a Navy because he was not a rubberegotism and prejudice you will find ing all power to the military

taking all away from the civilian."
Would Follow German Idea. Mr. Daniels said if the committee desired to raise the general staff issue he was willing to go to the proved the plan, the German model and name some Von Representations had Tirpitz to rule the navy, make an

procedure resulting in confiscation of favor a civilian secretary and have

Mr. Daniels asserted that all cent secretaries had been confronted with a struggle to keep the navy under civilian control and quoted former Secretaries Welles, Long and Meyer and former Assistant-Secretary Darling to show the

combination with six other subor-dinate officers in the department and a member of Congress who was a former officer in the navy" un-dertook "surreptitiously and secretly" to impose his ideas as to duties

of the chief of naval operations. Criticizes Finke Legislation. "Admiral Fiske's surreptitious legislation, had it passed," the secretary added, "would have put an officer of the navy in a position where he would have had the power and authority of the Prussian chief of staff, Von Tirpitz and the Kaiser himself combined in one."

Mr. Daniels devoted much of the day to a review of the work of

war and to an extensive resume of the controversy that followed his famous order banishing liquors from the officers' mess. PROPOSE OIL CORPORATION

the navy's supply system in the

UNDER NATIONAL AUSPICES benator Phelan Introduces Plan Modeled After Shipping Board to En-

courage Petroleum Exploitation, [By Associated Press.] WASHINGTON, May 17.—Organization of the United States Oil Cor-

relatives.

The climax came late in the after- a preferential right to take over zens. The government would retain

Senator Phelan, in introducing the resolution, oited the efforts being made by Great Britain to assist her nationals in the development of new of the farmer to give an hour for pleasure to the dwellers in the cities.

Every Sunday excursions to Norfolk and Seashore via N. & W. begin May of the world, he said

#### Situation Grows Serious. Valuable crops of foodstuffs rotng in the fields; raw materials for was the huge searchlight on one of industry held up at their source, the army trucks, which is a part of the ship-by-truck equipment. The rays asly reduced-these are only three the town. the conservative views of officials who are in too close contact with the A report issued today by the Geo-